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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that: my residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name; I believe I am the original, first, and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first, and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR MAINTAINING A DIGITAL TELEVISION RECEIVER DATABASE

the specification of which is attached.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR § 1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or § 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or § 365(a) of any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States, listed below and have also identified below, any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or any PCT International application(s) having a filing date before that of the application(s) of which priority is claimed:

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None		

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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS I, the below named inventor, [hereinafter referred to as Assignor], have made an invention entitled:

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for which I executed an application for United States Letters Patent concurrently herewith; and

WHEREAS, (1) Sony Corporation, a corporation of Tokyo, Japan; and (2) Sony Electronics, Inc., a Delaware corporation whose post office address is 1 Sony Dr., Park Ridge, New Jersey 07656 (hereinafter collectively referred to as Assignees), are desirous of securing the entire right, title, and interest in and to this invention in all countries throughout the world, and in and to the application for United States Letters Patent on this invention and the Letters Patent to be issued upon this application;

NOW THEREFORE, be it known that for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) in hand paid and other good and valuable consideration the receipt of which from assignee is hereby acknowledged, we, as assignors, have sold, assigned, transferred, and set over, and do hereby sell, assign, transfer, and set over unto the Assignees, their lawful successors and assigns, our entire right, title, and interest in and to this invention and this application, and all divisions, and continuations thereof, and all Letters Patent of the United States which may be granted thereon, and all reissues thereof, and all rights to claim priority on the basis of such application, and all applications for Letters Patent which may hereafter be filed for this invention in any foreign country and all Letters Patent which may be granted on this invention in any foreign country, and all extensions, renewals, and reissues thereof; and we hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks of the United States and any official of any foreign country whose duty it is to issue patents on applications as described above, to issue all Letters Patent for this invention to Assignees, their successors and assigns, in accordance with the terms of this Assignment;

AND, I HEREBY covenant that I have the full right to convey the interest assigned by this Assignment, and I have not executed and will not execute any agreement in conflict with this Assignment;

AND, I HEREBY further covenant and agree that I will, without further consideration, communicate with Assignees, their successors and assigns, any facts known to us respecting this invention, and testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers when called upon to do so, execute and deliver any and all papers that may be necessary or desirable to perfect the title to this invention in said Assignees, their successors or assigns, execute all divisional, continuation, and reissue applications, make all rightful oaths and generally do everything possible to aid Assignees, their successors and assigns, to obtain and enforce proper patent protection for this invention in the United States and any foreign country, it being understood that any expense incident to the execution of such papers shall be borne by the Assignees, their successors and assigns.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hands.

County of Santa Clara) ss.
State of California)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 6 day of
July, 2000.

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see all purpose acknowledgment
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State of California

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On July 6, 2000, before me, Connie C. del Castillo, Notary Public,
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evidence

to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are
subscribed to the within instrument and
acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed
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capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their
signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or
the entity upon behalf of which the person(s)
acted, executed the instrument.

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Connie C. del Castillo

Signature of Notary Public

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- Trustee
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- Other: _____

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